

EXECUTIVE OFFICER'S REPORT

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Remembrance of Gail Louis, Colleague and Friend of the Regional Water Board

Matt St. John

On June 1st, Gail Louis, 63, died peacefully in her sleep following a brief illness. Working for US EPA since 1987, Gail worked closely with the North Coast Regional Water Quality Control Board, as well as other Regional Boards, federal and state agencies and Tribes, over several decades in various programs including Superfund, TMDL, and Nonpoint Source. Gail was kindhearted and generous, keenly observant, meticulously organized, gracious, and collaborative to the core, all qualities that made her a vitally important member of the interagency team charged with developing TMDLs for the Klamath and Lost Rivers. She was also instrumental in standing up the Klamath Blue-Green Algae Workgroup and facilitated the launching of the Klamath Basin Monitoring Program, as well as guiding the development of US EPA Region 9's Regional Climate Adaptation Implementation Plan. Gail had a unique capacity to listen carefully to different

perspectives and to offer suggestions that led to shared understanding. She was a masterful coordinator, planning and implementing effective meetings, which almost always included tasty treats to sustain energy and motivation. While demonstrating a calm and quiet nature, Gail was a force of will and intellect who managed to establish cohesion and commonality. Though she died before the last of the Klamath River dams was fully removed in August, she was on-site when drawdown was initiated in January of 2024. Gail's spirit and grace leaves a lasting impression, and she is missed terribly.



Photo Caption: Gail on the Klamath River.



Coastal Pathogen Project Update Prachi Kulkarni

The Ocean Beaches and Freshwater Creeks Pathogen TMDL Projects (now known as the Coastal Pathogen Project) were first adopted as a high priority during the 2014 triennial review of the Basin Plan. Beginning in 2016, staff collected dry and wet season pathogen related water quality data from impaired ocean beaches, impaired freshwater streams, reference streams, and suspected fecal waste source areas over two calendar years. Initial analyses of streams data indicated strong human waste markers in Jolly Giant Creek. To follow-up, in collaboration with Humboldt Water Keeper and the City of Arcata, staff initiated additional source identification monitoring specific to Jolly Giant Creek. Supplemental monitoring in Jolly Giant Creek was completed in November 2022.

The Coastal Pathogen Project is wrapping up. The Beaches, Streams, and Jolly Giant Creek reports are final, and the Sources Assessment Report is undergoing some minor last revisions. Staff has developed an initial synthesis report and source control implementation strategy (plan), which indicates:

- Pathogen impairments can be traced to a limited number of dominant sources
- Fecal waste signatures across all areas sampled are dominated by dog markers
- Existing permits and regulatory programs can be used to address all impairments, except where natural sources, such as wildlife, appear to be the dominant factor
- 4) Where results indicate, non-impaired waterbodies can be placed upon a watch list and prioritized for any future routine regulatory activity (inspections, etc.).

In order to receive public and Regional Board input on the synthesis report and source control implementation strategy, staff will publish the plan for review and comment, make revisions as needed, and bring the body of work before the Regional Water Board. This will include Board consideration of a resolution affirming that prioritized actions under existing regulatory programs will result in attainment of pathogen related water quality standards in impaired waters.



Photo Caption: Clam Beach and Strawberry Creek



North Coast Tribes Lead Environmental Justice Efforts, Aligning with Regional Equity Goals Chris Watt

In a landmark collaboration between tribal communities and state agencies, three North Coast tribes are spearheading environmental justice initiatives that dovetail with the region's broader racial equity goals. The Tolowa Deeni' Nation, Potter Valley, and Cahto tribes are utilizing California Environmental Protection Agency (CalEPA) Environmental Justice Action grants to address critical ecological concerns, in a move that aligns closely with the North Coast Regional Water Board Racial Equity Action Plan. This reporter conducted interviews with staff from the three tribes and used the free version of the generative AI application Claude to process interview notes and generate an initial draft of this article.

"Our first-ever Environmental Justice Action Grants will support 27 incredible Tribes and organizations in their work to alleviate pollution burdens and advance environmental justice in communities across the state. Providing this financial support continues CalEPA's commitment to prioritizing investments in the communities that need them most. These community-centered, community-led projects bring us one step closer to achieving the Governor's vision of a 'California for all," said Yana Garcia, California Secretary for Environmental Protection.

CalEPA announced the establishment of the new <u>CalEPA EJ Action Grants Program</u> (<u>Program</u>) (https://calepa.ca.gov/wp-content/uploads/sites/6/2023/08/CalEPA_Fin al-Round-1-EJ-Grant-Guidelines_83023.pdf) in June 2023. On March 7, 2024, CalEPA announced the Program's first 27 grantees. CalEPA is expected to announce Round 2 process and timeline in late 2024.

The State Water Board adopted its Racial Equity Action Plan in 2022, setting a precedent for addressing systemic inequities in water management. The North Coast Regional Water Board followed suit,

developing its own plan to ensure equitable practices in water resource management across the region.

These tribal-led projects exemplify the core principles of our Racial Equity Action Plan. They're fostering meaningful engagement with tribal communities and addressing environmental burdens that have historically and continue to impact these groups disproportionately.

The Tolowa Dee-ni' Nation's project, which will focus on monitoring the bioaccumulation of toxins in subsistence species such as mollusks and finfish, resonates with the Plan's emphasis on protecting Tribal Beneficial Uses of water. Rachel McCain, Natural Resources Director for the Tolowa Dee-ni' Nation, explained, "Our work isn't just about environmental monitoring, it's about preserving our cultural practices and ensuring our traditional foods are safe for generations to come."

The Potter Valley Tribe's efforts to participate in Potter Valley Project proceedings as a sovereign nation were hindered by historic inequities stemming from a more than 20-year period when the Tribe's federal status was terminated. Only in 1993 was the tribe able to resume governance and receive federal assistance. Mike Shaver, Water Resources Manager for the Tribe, noted, "We're building our capacity to participate in regional water management decisions. This grant is helping us have a voice in issues that directly affect our people." The Potter Valley tribe has lands in both the Eel and Russian River watersheds and is seeking high level participation in future decision making in Potter Valley Project decommissioning and the prospective new trans-basin water diversion of the Eel-Russian Project Authority.

For the Cahto Tribe, their investigation into potential soil and groundwater contamination from a nearby landfill addresses the plan's objective of identifying and addressing gaps in water quality protection. "We're empowering our community with knowledge about our environment," said Anira G'Acha,

Cahto Tribe EPA Director. "This aligns perfectly with the regional board's commitment to community engagement and education."

These projects also reflect the Racial Equity Action Plan's commitment to enhancing tribal consultation and incorporation of tribal ecological knowledge. The Tolowa Dee-ni' Nation's Natural Resources and Harvesting Committee, which integrates traditional knowledge into their monitoring and management programs, serves as a model for this approach.

However, challenges remain. The complex grant administration process, highlighted by the Potter Valley Tribe, underscores the need for the streamlined processes and capacity building outlined in the regional plan. "We're seeing firsthand why the plan emphasizes the need for technical assistance and support for disadvantaged communities," Shaver commented.

Despite these hurdles, the alignment between these tribal initiatives and the regional equity goals is clear. The projects are fostering the kind of community-led, culturally relevant environmental stewardship that the Racial Equity Action Plan envisions.

As these initiatives progress, they're not only addressing immediate environmental concerns but also contributing to the broader goals of racial equity in water resource management. The experiences of these North Coast tribes may well inform future iterations of the regional plan, providing valuable insights into effective community engagement and environmental justice practices.

These tribal-led projects are living examples of our commitment to racial equity in environmental management. They're helping us move from plan to action, ensuring that our most vulnerable communities have a say in the health of their environments.

As California continues to grapple with issues of environmental justice and racial equity, the collaborative efforts between North Coast tribes and state agencies offer a promising model for inclusive, equitable environmental stewardship.

Enforcement Report for October 2024 Executive Officer's Report **Zane Stromberg**

Summary of Enforcement Actions issued between July 13, 2024 - September 5, 2024

Throughout the year, with support from the State Water Board's Office of Enforcement (OE), Regional Water Board staff (Staff) develop and manage enforcement cases starting informally through direct correspondence including issuing Notices of Violation and pursuing a progressive enforcement approach that results in formal enforcement actions such as Cleanup and Abatement Orders (CAOs), Cease and Desist Orders (CDOs), and Administrative Civil Liability (ACL) Complaints. Once Staff determine that an enforcement action will result in the issuance of an ACL Complaint, the Enforcement Team prepares supporting evidence and provides the discharger(s) an opportunity to discuss the facts relating to the violations, including the option of settlement.

Table 1 summarizes Notice of Violations (NOVs), CAOs, Investigative Orders (13267 Orders), Staff Enforcement Letters, and Notices of Non-Compliance (NNCs). During this reporting period, Staff issued twenty-two NOVs, two CAOs, and one Amended 13267 Investigative Order. Table 2 summarizes ACL Complaints, ACL Orders, settlement negotiations pending the adoption of a final Stipulated ACL Order, and the status of Compliance Projects (CPs) and Supplemental Environmental Projects (SEPs). During this reporting period, Regional Water Board (RWB) staff reached a settlement agreement on one ACLC and continues settlement negotiations with dischargers on four cases.

Table notes and other acronyms:

Basin Plan Water Quality Control Plan for the North Coast Region

BMPs Best Management Practices
CCP Cannabis Cultivation Policy¹
CGO Cannabis General Order²
CGP Construction General Permit³
CSD Community Services District

HA Hydrologic Area

IGP Industrial General Permit⁴

MMPs Mandatory Minimum Penalties

NPDES National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System

RWB Regional Water Board

WDRs Waste Discharge Requirement

1 State Water Resources Control Board Resolution No. R1-2019-0007 Cannabis Cultivation Policy

Principles and Guidelines for Cannabis Cultivation

² <u>State Water Resources Control Board Order No. WQ 2019-0001-DWQ</u> General Waste Discharge Requirements and Waiver of Waste Discharge Requirements for Discharges of Waste Associated with Cannabis Cultivation Activities

³ State Water Resources Control Board Order No. 2009-0009-DWQ [as amended by Order No. 2010-0014-DWQ] General Permit for Storm Water Discharges Associated with Construction and Land Disturbance Activities

⁴ State Water Resources Control Board Order No. 2014-0057-DWQ [as amended in 2015 and 2018] General Permit for Storm Water Discharges Associated with Industrial Activities

Table 1. NOVs, CAOs, Investigative Orders (13267/13383 Orders), Compliance Notices, and NNCs

Date Issued	Action	Owner/ OperatorName	County	Watershed	Program	Inspection Type/Date
July 17, 2024	NOV	Nina Kalani	Trinity County	South Fork Trinity River HA	Cannabis Program	Multi-Agency Inspection on June 19, 2024
July 17, 2024	NOV	Lao Her	Trinity County	South Fork Trinity River HA	Cannabis Program	Multi-Agency Inspection on June 12, 2024
July 18, 2024	NOV	Dunya Alwan	Mendocino County	Garcia River HA	401 Water Quality Certification Program	RWB Inspection on June 6, 2024
July 19, 2024	NOV	Jorge Aguilar	Mendocino County	Middle Fork Eel River HA	Cannabis Program	Multi-Agency Inspection on June 20, 2024
July 19, 2024	NOV	Henreatta Shillings	Mendocino County	Middle Fork Eel River HA	Cannabis Program	Multi-Agency Inspection on June 20, 2024
July 19, 2024	NOV	Elsa Smith Maximo Delaza	Mendocino County	Middle Fork Eel River HA	Cannabis Program	Multi-Agency Inspection on June 20, 2024

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July 19, 2024	NOV	Christopher Bayard	Mendocino County	Middle Fork Eel River HA	Cannabis Program	Multi-Agency Inspection on June 20, 2024
July 19, 2024	NOV	Pedro Herrera	Mendocino County	Middle Fork Eel River HA	Cannabis Program	Multi-Agency Inspection on June 20, 2024
July 19, 2024	NOV	R & P Investments, LLC	Mendocino County	Middle Fork Eel River HA	Cannabis Program	Multi-Agency Inspection on June 20, 2024
July 22, 2024	Amended 13267 Investigativ e Order	Emmerson Investments, Inc.	Siskiyou County	Shasta Valley HA	Agricultural Lands Discharge Program	Failure to comply with monitoring and reporting requirements
July 23, 2024	CAO	Laurence Istas Yesenia Carillo Raul Carrillo	Mendocino County	Middle Fork Eel River HA	Cannabis Program	Multi-Agency Inspection on May 9, 2023
July 23, 2024	CAO	Nezih Sabankaya Semih Sabankaya ICRS, LLC	Trinity County	Middle trinity HA	Cannabis Program	Multi-Agency inspections on December 30, 2020, December 5, 2022, and November 9, 2023

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July 26, 2024	NOV	John Dustin Ricker	Mendocino County	Middle Fork Eel River HA	Cannabis Program	Multi-Agency Inspection on June 26, 2024
July 26, 2024	NOV	Cheryl F Smith	Mendocino County	Middle Fork Eel River HA	Cannabis Program	Multi-Agency Inspection on June 26, 2024
July 31, 2024	NOV	Michael Bartholdy	Mendocino County	Upper Russian River HA	401 Water Quality Certification Program	RWB Inspection on August 10, 2023
August 8, 2024	NOV	Zachary Jones	Mendocino County	Mendocino Coast HA	Forestry Program	RWB Inspection on June 25, 2024
August 20, 2024	NOV	Clifton May, Gregory Warner, and Marykate Warner	Mendocino County	Mendocino Coast HA	401 Water Quality Certification Program	RWB Inspection on June 25, 2024
August 23, 2024	NOV	Arturo Ramirez	Mendocino County	Middle Fork Eel River	Cannabis Program	Multi-Agency Inspection on June 24, 2024

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August 23, 2024	NOV	Elida Farias	Mendocino County	Middle Fork Eel River	Cannabis Program	Multi-Agency Inspection on June 24, 2024
August 23, 2024	NOV	Scott Anderson	Mendocino County	Middle Fork Eel River	Cannabis Program	Multi-Agency Inspection on June 24, 2024
August 27, 2024	NOV	Former JDS Uniphase/Optica I Coating Facility	Sonoma County	Middle Russian River	Cleanups Program	Notification of Release of Untreated Groundwater on August 12, 2024
August 30, 2024	NOV	Ivan Corona Suarez	Mendocino County	South Fork Eel River	Cannabis Program	Multi-Agency Inspection on June 31, 2024
August 30, 2024	NOV	Sharon Wilson	Mendocino County	South Fork Eel River	Cannabis Program	Multi-Agency Inspection on June 31, 2024
August 22, 2024	Health & Safety Code Directive	Steve Schilling	Siskiyou	n/a	Cleanups	Non- responsive to request to perform work

Figure 1: NOVs Issued by the RWB Between July 13, 2024 and September 5, 2023

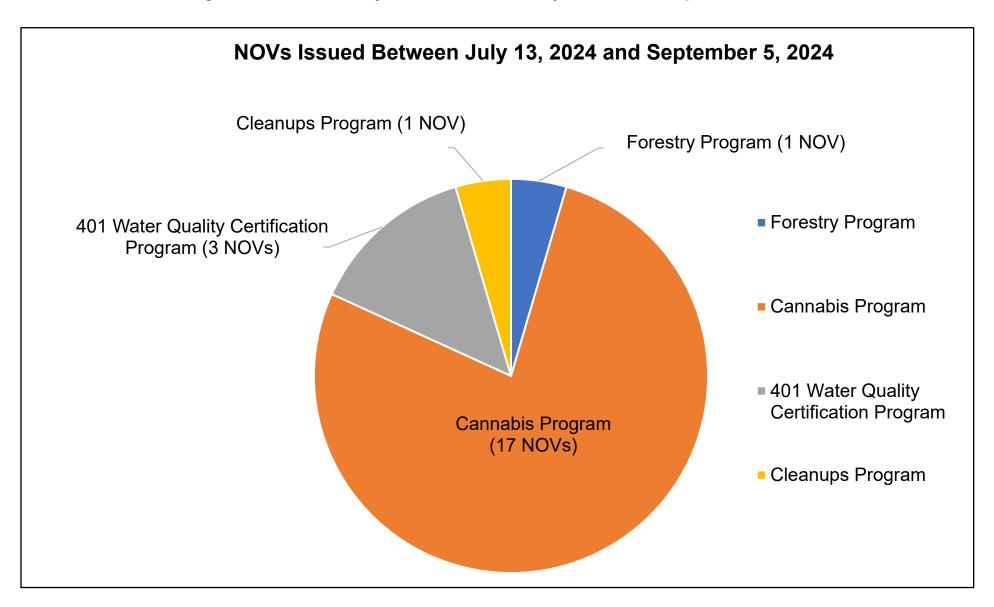


Figure 2: Cannabis NOVs issued Between July 13, 2024 and September 5, 2024

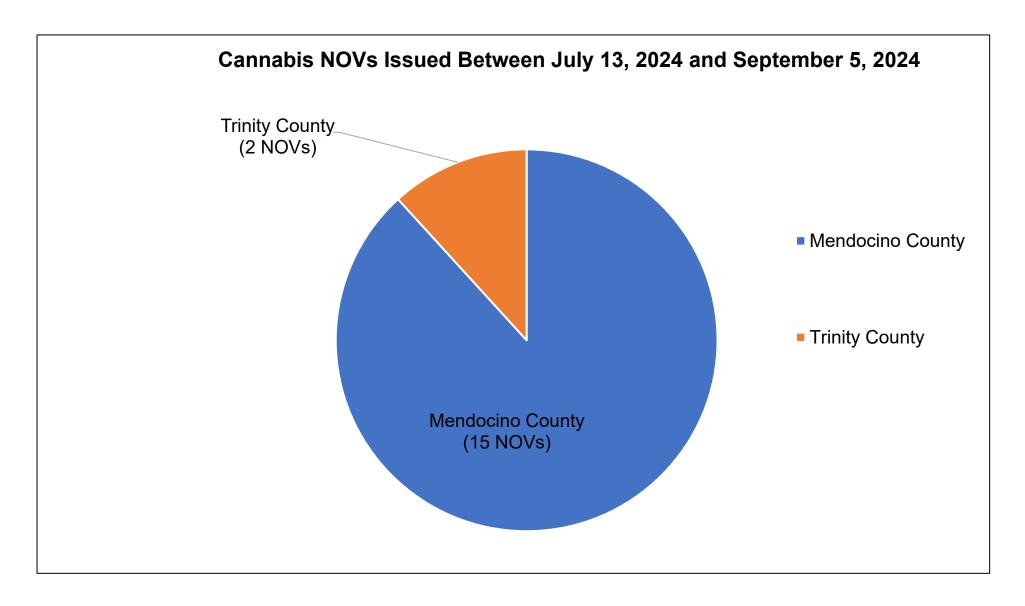


Table 2. ACLs and Settlement Discussions (Invited, Underway, or Completed)

Discharger	Program	Violation Type	Proposed Liability Amount	Comments	Status as of September 5, 2024 ⁵
BoDean Company, Inc Mark West Quarry Site	NPDES Storm Water	Violation of IGP requirements including failure to implement effective and adequate minimum and advanced BMPs resulting in the discharge of 10.5 million gallons of sediment laden stormwater to Porter Creek, a tributary to the Russian River	\$8,589,406	Amended ACL Complaint No. R1- 2021-0047-A was issued on September 14, 2023, and includes an increased liability for additional violations that occurred after the first ACL complaint was first issued on September 10, 2021. Violation Period: December 2018 – January 2023	On September 6, 2024, the Advisory Team issued the Notice and Hearing Procedures for a Regional Water Board public hearing on February 5, 6, and 7. At the Respondent's request, the Board plans to conduct a site visit during the hearing. The site visit is planned for the first day of the hearing, February 5, 2024. During a prehearing conference on August 29, 2024, the parties generally agreed on the proposed plan. Board members or the Advisory Team may ask clarifying questions. There will be no opportunity for public comment during the site visit.

More information on ACL Complaints and ACL Orders can be found online at the Regional Water Boards Adopted Orders Page: [https://www.waterboards.ca.gov/northcoast/board_decisions/adopted_orders/] or at the California Integrated Water Quality System (CIWQS) Public Reports Portal: [https://www.waterboards.ca.gov/water_issues/programs/ciwqs/publicreports.html].

⁵ Public hearing notices on pending enforcement actions can be found at:

https://www.waterboards.ca.gov/northcoast/public notices/public hearings/enforcement hearings/.

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Discharger	Program	Violation Type	Proposed Liability Amount	Comments	Status as of September 5, 2024 ⁵
City of Arcata – Wastewater Treatment Facility	NPDES Wastewater	NPDES Permit Effluent Limit Violations subject to MMPs	\$393,000	ACL Complaint No. R1- 2023-0008 was issued on January 9, 2023.	First Amended ACL Complaint No. R1-2023- 0008-A was issued on July 8, 2024. The Discharger formally waived the right to a hearing for the First Amended ACLC No. R1- 2023-0008-A. This matter is ongoing.
City of Eureka – Elk River Wastewater Treatment Plant	NPDES Wastewater	NPDES Permit Effluent Limit Violations subject to MMPs	\$51,000	ACL Complaint No. R1- 2024-0022 issued on March 27, 2024.	The Discharger has formally waived the right to a hearing and settlement negotiations are ongoing.
City of Fortuna – Wastewater Treatment Plant	NPDES Wastewater	NPDES Permit Effluent Limit Violations subject to MMPs	\$15,000	ACL Complaint No. R1- 2023-0033 issued on May 8, 2023. Violation Period: April 1, 2021 to March 14, 2023	The Discharger has formally waived the right to a hearing and settlement discussions are ongoing.
City of Loleta – Wastewater Treatment Plant	NPDES Wastewater	NPDES Permit Effluent Limit Violations subject to MMPs	\$633,000	Administrative Civil Liability Complaint No. R1-2023-0056 issued on October 15, 2023. Violation Period: March 15, 2018, to December 31, 2021	The Discharger has formally waived the right to a hearing and settlement discussions are ongoing.

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Discharger	Program	Violation Type	Proposed Liability Amount	Comments	Status as of September 5, 2024 ⁵
City of Rio Dell – Wastewater Treatment Plant	NPDES Wastewater	NPDES Permit Effluent Limit Violations subject to MMPs	\$33,000	Stipulated Order No. R1-2023-0025 adopted on May 15, 2023.	Chloramination wastewater treatment CP is underway. Final Report is due on May 31, 2025.
City Ventures Homebuilding, LLC- Fox Hollow Development Site	NPDES Storm Water	Violation of CGP requirements including failure to implement effective and adequate minimum BMPs resulting in the unauthorized discharge of sediment laden stormwater to Peterson Creek, a tributary to Russian River	\$833,316	Stipulated Order No. R1-2024-0042 adopted on September 10, 2024.	The Order stipulates that the Discharger will pay \$417,316 to the "State Water Pollution Cleanup and Abatement Account. The Discharger will also pay the remaining \$416,000 to the Laguna Foundation for implementation of the Petersen Creek Vernal Pool Restoration SEP.
Daniel Maldonado Suarez	Cannabis	Violations of Water Code sections 13267 and 13304 for failure to submit a Cleanup, Restoration and Monitoring Plan (CRMP) by May 1, 2022, and implement the CRMP by October 15, 2022	\$138,750	ACL Complaint R1- 2023-0009 issued on January 9, 2023.	ACL Order No. R1-2023- 0043 was adopted by the RWB on June 15, 2023. Due to the Discharger's delinquency on CAO compliance and payments on the ACLO to the Cleanup and Abatement Account, the RWB issued a Payment Demand Letter on August 8, 2024.

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Discharger	Program	Violation Type	Proposed Liability Amount	Comments	Status as of September 5, 2024 ⁵
Enclave, Santa Rosa LP and Morgan Properties, Inc. Marlow Commons Development Site	NPDES Storm Water	Violation of CGP requirements including failure to implement effective and adequate minimum BMPs resulting in the release of sediment from the site to a municipal storm drain discharging to Piner Creek, a tributary to the Russian River	\$46,200	Stipulated Order No. R1-2023-0052 adopted on November 15, 2023	Due to the Discharger's delinquency on payments on the SEP and to the Cleanup and Abatement Account, the RWB issued Payment Demand Letters on April 12, 2024, May 20, 2024, and July 10, 2024. To date, the RWB staff have not received a response. This matter is being referred to collections and the local courts for a monetary judgement.
Hugh Reimers and Krasilsa Pacific Farms LLC	Non-Point Source Program Complaint Response	- Basin Plan Section 4.2.1 - Water Code Section 13376 - CAO Required Actions 5 & 9 for failure to submit an acceptable RMMP to the RWB and failure to then implement an approved RMMP, respectively.	\$3,750,852	Stipulated Order No. R1-2023-0045 was adopted on August 22, 2023 and imposes a \$450,000 liability.	The liability has been paid by the Discharger. The Stipulated Order also required the Discharger to complete the proposed Restoration Mitigation and Management Plan (RMMP) by October 15, 2023, but the Discharger was granted an extension until October 15, 2024, to obtain necessary permits. This matter is ongoing.

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Discharger	Program	Violation Type	Proposed Liability Amount	Comments	Status as of September 5, 2024 ⁵
Ken Bareilles	Southern Non-Point Source and Forestry Program	- Discharges of waste into waters of the state in violation of Categorical Waiver ⁶ and Basin Plan - CAO R1-2022-0009 Required Action No. 1 for failure to submit plan by deadline - CAO R1-2022-0028 Required Action No. 1 for failure to submit plan	\$276,000	ACL Complaint No. R1- 2023-0026 issued on March 20, 2023, covering the period between December 1, 2020 and March 20, 2023. The Complaint CAOs, Basin Plan Prohibitions, and Categorical Waiver ⁶ violations while conducting timber harvest activities on the property	ACL Order No. R1-2023- 0040 was adopted by the RWB Board on June 16, 2023, and the administrative civil liability was increased to \$276,000. The Discharger was required to complete cleanup work on the property by September 29, 2023. After re-inspecting the site on February 27, 2024, staff found that no major cleanup or restoration has been completed at the site. This matter is ongoing.

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⁶ **Categorical Waiver Order No. R1-2014-0011** Categorical Waiver of Waste Discharge Requirements for Discharges Related to Timber Harvest Activities on Non-Federal Lands in the North Coast Region

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Discharger	Program	Violation Type	Proposed Liability Amount	Comments	Status as of September 5, 2024 ⁵
Russian River CSD and Sonoma Water Agency	NPDES Wastewater	Violations of the Sanitary Sewer Order including unauthorized discharge of 885,664 gallons of raw sewage from the Russian River CSD collection system to the Russian River	\$1,033,546	Order No. R1-2023- 0049 includes Enhanced Compliance Action for a study to evaluate regional projects that aim to improve water quality, water supply reliability, and climate change resiliency in the Russian River watershed. The Enhanced Compliance Action would cost \$887,000, and \$147,001 would be paid to the CA Cleanup and Abatement Account.	Stipulated Order No. R1-2023-0049 was adopted on December 20, 2023. The Discharger paid the liability portion of the Order. The Discharger awarded the Feasibility Study Consultant Agreements for the Enhanced Compliance Action to West Yost during a Sonoma County Board of Directors meeting on March 26, 2024. The study has a completion date of June 30, 2027. This matter is ongoing.
Samoa Pacific Group, LLC and Peninsula CSD	NPDES Wastewater	NPDES Permit Effluent Limit and Late Reporting Violations subject to MMPs	\$123,000	ACLC No. R1-2023- 0032 issued on May 8, 2023 for violation period between December 30, 2020 and December 30, 2022.	Stipulated Order No. R1-2024-0013 was adopted on April 19, 2024. The Discharger has negotiated a SEP to install backup power generation for an affordable housing unit in the Town of Samoa, which is scheduled for completion in October 2024.

Projected List of Future Regional Water Board Agenda Items

The following is a list of Regional Water Board agenda items that staff are planning for the next two Board meetings. **This list of agenda items is intended for general planning purposes and is subject to change.** Questions regarding the listed agenda items should be addressed to the identified staff person.

December 5-6, 2024

- City of Ferndale NPDES Permit (Justin McSmith) [A]
- Nordic Aquafarms Work Plan Approval (Justin McSmith) [A]
- Russian River County Sanitation District NPDES Permit Revision (Matt Herman) [A]
- Coastal Pathogen Source Reduction Strategy (Prachi Kulkarni) [A]
- Cannabis Enforcement Strategy (Kason Grady) [I]
- Draft Racial Equity Action Plan Workshop (Michelle Fuller) [W]
- Commercial Vineyards GDWRs and EIR (Brenna Sullivan) [A]

February 5-7, 2025

- Executive Officer's Water Quality Stewardship Award (Valerie Quinto) [I]
- Chair & Vice Chair Elections (Valerie Quinto) [A]
- Graton WWTP NPDES Permit (Sabrina Cegielski) [A]
- Guerneville SWDS WDR Revision (Terri Cia) [A]
- Cloverdale NPDES Permit (Sabrina Cegielski) [A]
- Sonoma County LAMP Resolution (Kelsey Cody) [A]
- 2026 Integrated Report (Mary Bartholomew) [I]
- Bo Dean, Inc. ACLC Mark West Quarry Facility (Heaven Moore) [A]

